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In re Application of	:	
Chad Allen Dow	:	
Application No. 10/601,511	:	DECISION GRANTING
Filed: June 23, 2003	:	PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b)
Attorney Docket No. 16429-US	:	
Title: STRAW CHOPPER BLADE	:	

This is a decision on the petition filed June 27, 2005, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b)¹, to revive the above-identified application.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 C.F.R. §1.113 in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed November 15, 2004, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No response was received, and no extensions of time were requested. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on February 16, 2005. A notice of abandonment was mailed May 20, 2005.

With the instant petition, petitioner has filed the petition fee, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 as well as the associated fee, an amendment, and the proper statement of unintentional delay. The RCE has been accepted as the required reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b)(1). The concurrently submitted amendment shall serve as the required submission.

¹ A grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) must be accompanied by:

- (1) The reply required to the outstanding Office action or notice, unless previously filed;
- (2) The petition fee as set forth in § 1.17(m);
- (3) A statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to this paragraph was unintentional. The Commissioner may require additional information where there is a question whether the delay was unintentional, and;
- (4) Any terminal disclaimer (and fee as set forth in § 1.20(d)) required pursuant to paragraph (d) of this section.

As such, the petition is **GRANTED**.

The general phone number for the Office of Petitions which should be used for status requests is (571) 272-3282. Telephone inquiries regarding *this decision* should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3225.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Shanowski".

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